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WAZZUP WITH ENGLISH IN BELGIAN DUTCH PREADOLESCENTS' LANGUAGE USE?

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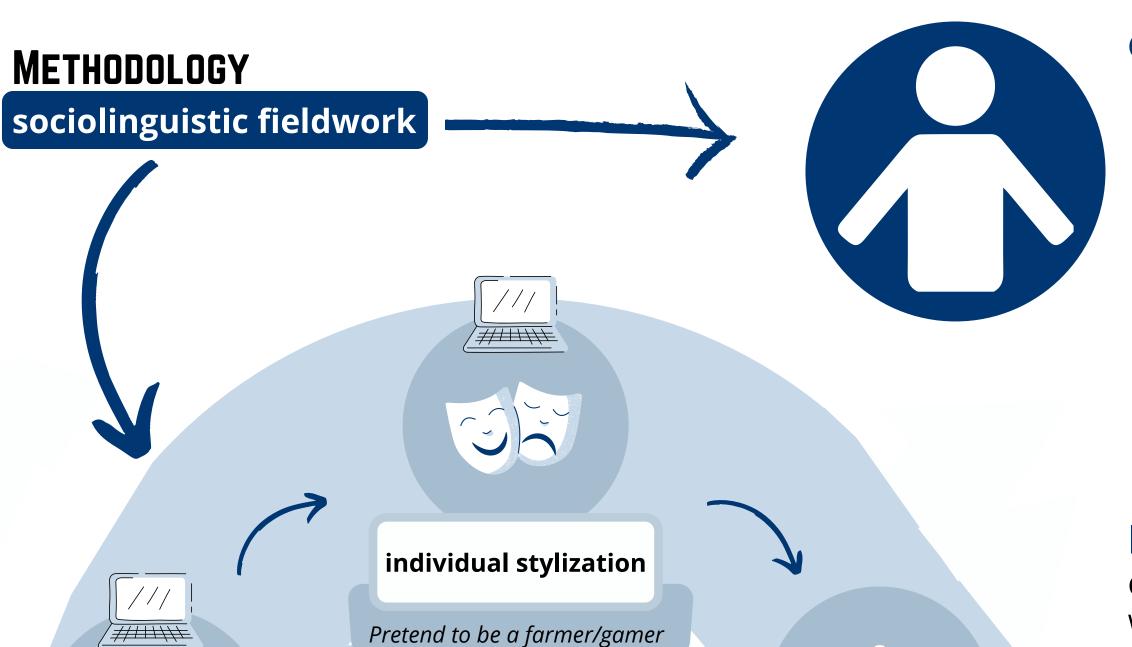
BACKGROUND & RESEARCH AIM

Cross-fertilizing the as of yet unconnected fields of anglicism research (Peterson & Beers Fägersten 2018) and developmental sociolinguistics (De Vogelaer & Katerbow 2017), this project foregrounds the Dutch-English contact situation in Flanders in order to study how Belgian Dutch children evolve in their use of English lexical resources in Dutch and what that teaches us about the nature of the associated social meanings.

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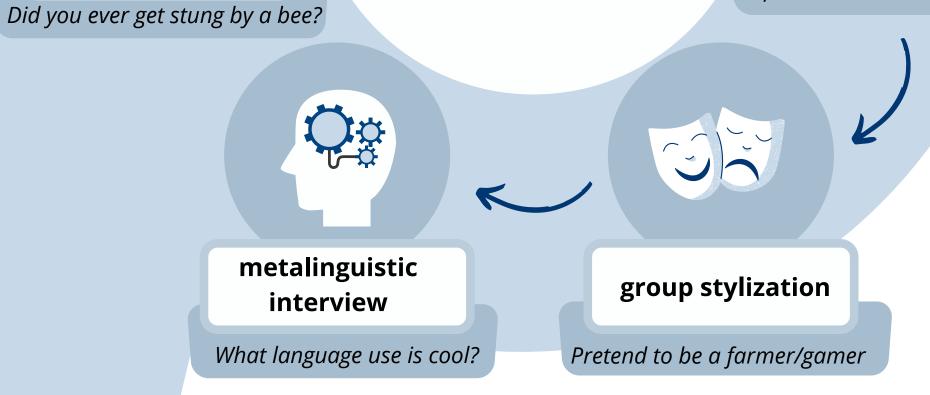
Community of Practice

- 26 preadolescents (6-13 y/o)
 - 12 boys (M age=9;2, SD=1;7)
 - 14 girls (M age=10;2, SD=1;8)
- members of a local hockey club
- monolingual speakers of Belgian Dutch
- high SES, **no formal instruction** of English

Identifying English

Geeraerts & Grondelaers (2000); Onysko (2007); Winter-Froemel (2013)

RUE: recognizable unavoidable English RAE: recognizable avoidable English

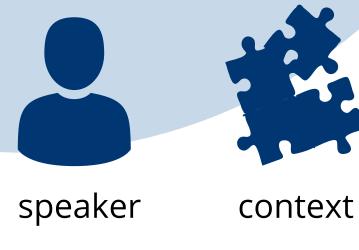


Design

100h of data



How does the social meaning of English lexical resources in Belgian Dutch preadolescents develop and how does that depend on:







sociolinguistic

interview





PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Relative frequency of English per type per respondent Ascending age // full line: RUE, dashed line: RAE

spontaneous + topically controlled

group conversations

spontaneous talk + topic cards

9.7% (RUE + RAE) UTTERANCE-BASED **A** girls containing English boys

